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SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is...Senator Schmit, did you wish to speak to this? The question is the adoption of the Newell amendment to the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? You are voting on the Newell amendment to the committee amendments. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 14 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the amendment to the committee amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The Newell amendment to the committee amendment is adopted. Senator Newell, did you wish to speak further to the committee amendments?

SENATOR NEWELL: The committee amendments now do what I explained earlier. They make the amount that has to go out for bid for both first and second class cities at \$10,000. That is an increase of \$2,500 and that increase is the first in about four...seven years...in quite awhile. The thing has been...the bill has been worked out and all the parties who spoke at the hearing are now in agreement. The newspaper association and the League of Municipalities are in agreement. I am glad I am really well prepared today. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Schmit, did you wish to talk to the amendments?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, I would like to ask Senator Newell a question please.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Newell, will you respond?

SENATOR NEWELL: Yes, Senator Schmit, if I can (interruption).

SENATOR SCHMIT: Senator Newell, have you done anything in the bill other than to increase the requirement from \$7,500 to \$10,000?

SENATOR NEWELL: Yes, we have.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Would you explain that for us once again please? I am really a little vague on it.

SENATOR NEWELL: Okay.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, I hope that Senator Newell's research time does not come off my time.

SENATOR NEWELL: Well, if we have any trouble, I will push